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### Religious Freedom, Diplomacy and the Real World – Lessons from the new Middle East

BY

#### RABBI ARTHUR SCHNEIER

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Rabbi Arthur Schneier is a well recognized religious leader. Born in Vienna, he fled the Nazi regime in 1938 and moved to the U.S. in 1947. He has been the spiritual leader of the Park East Synagogue in New York City since 1962. More than 40 years ago, he founded the Rabbi Arthur Schneier Park East Day School, a unique Early Childhood through Grade 8 Jewish Day School based on academic excellence in both general and Judaic studies. Rabbi Schneier has worked for religious freedom and tolerance throughout the world as founder and president of the Appeal of Conscience Foundation (1965). In 2001, he was the first Rabbi to be awarded the "Presidential Citizens Medal" by President Bill Clinton. He is the recipient of eleven honorary doctorates from U.S. and foreign universities. His alma mater, Yeshiva University, honored him by establishing the Rabbi Arthur Schneier Center for International Affairs in 2004.